

**ATTENDANCE ARNPRIOR:** February 17<sup>th</sup> 121 –, 18<sup>th</sup> - 143  
**SUNDAY OFFERING ARNPRIOR:** February 18<sup>th</sup>, \$4,050.85  
**ATTENDANCE BRAESIDE:** February 18<sup>th</sup> 115  
**SUNDAY OFFERING BRAESIDE:** February 18<sup>th</sup> \$1,988.85

**CWL ARNPRIOR: It begins with "1"!** Members are the "1" called by name and chosen by God. In this world today, everyone yearns for connections. The CWL provides so many ways to form a sisterhood with other women be it at home, in a parish or through servant leadership. Come join a family of sisters across the country. Contact Joan Wilson at 613-227-8599 or [joan.wil.wilson@gmail.com](mailto:joan.wil.wilson@gmail.com) and join our sisterhood. All it takes is “1” step in the right direction and “1” member to make a difference.  
The next general meeting will be on Wednesday March 6 at 7pm in the parish hall

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS:** Business Meeting Monday March 4 @ 6:00 p.m.  
Executive Meeting Monday February 26 @ 7:00 p.m.

**LEGION/KNIGHTS EUCHRE CHALLENGE: St. John Chrysostom Parish Hall.** Open to everyone. Cost: \$5 per person. Bring a partner. Doors open at 6:00 p.m. and the games start at 7:00 p.m. Dates: February 23<sup>rd</sup>, March 8<sup>th</sup> with banquet on the 22<sup>nd</sup>. You must play at least 3 nights to get the banquet free.



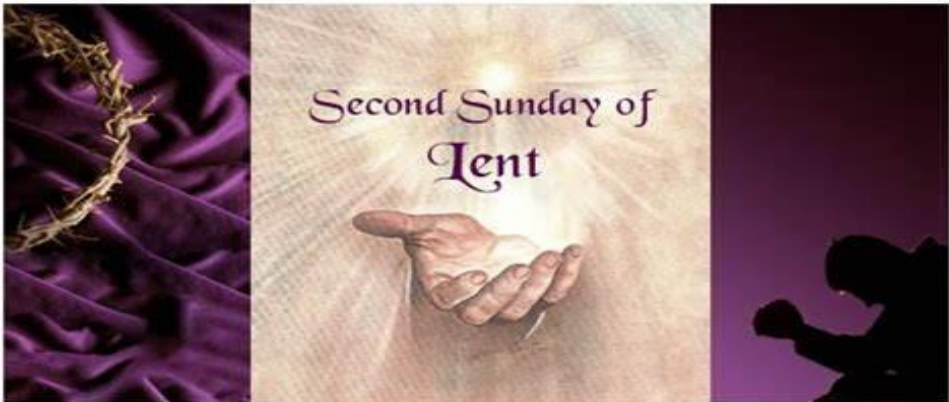
**BRAESIDE EUCHRE:** Every Wednesday from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. in the parish hall in Braeside. Come and enjoy fun and fellowship.

**BRAESIDE CATHOLIC WOMENS LEAGUE:** The next General Meeting will be held March 19<sup>th</sup> in the Braeside parish hall.

**STRENGTH FROM HEAVEN:** This Lent, we invite you to join us for a three day mission, led by Catholic Evangelist, Patrick Sullivan. Patrick is an international catholic author, speaker and missionary preacher. His talks have been aired on EWTN, Formed, and Shalom World Media. Known for his deep love of the Scriptures and his ability to make difficult theological concepts more accessible, audiences frequently walk away from his talks feeling refreshed and challenged to take their next step in faith. Be sure to bring a note pad and pen - you will want to take notes! February 27-29 at 7:00 p.m. in meeting room #1 in the church basement. For those that are interested mass will be offered every evening at 6:30 p.m. Everyone welcome.

**CONFESSIONS:** On Palm Sunday, March 21<sup>st</sup>, confessions will be heard from 3:00 p.m. until 4:00 p.m. with visiting priests.

THE ROMAN CATHOLIC COMMUNITY OF ARNPRIOR & BRAESIDE



St. John Chrysostom Parish      Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish  
✠*Second Sunday of Lent*✠  
February 25, 2024

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Liturgical Appointments for March 2/3

September	4:30 P.M.	9:00 A.M.	10:30 A.M.
Reader	Debbie	Richard	Ellie
Ministers of Communion	Linda/Clare	Luc/Sharon	Gary
Greeter/Usher	Linda/Denis Clare +1	Lynn/Carol Therese/Giles	Chris
Music	James	Stephanie	James

St. John Chrysostom Parish is the Home  
of the Arnprior & District Food Bank 613-668-4462, Al-Anon & A.A

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS:** Every Friday night during Lent, starting on February 16<sup>th</sup> the Franciscans will lead the stations of the cross at 7:00 p.m.



Have you spent any time meditating on the Stations of the Cross?  
How ready are you to accept the crosses in your life?  
The cross, and therefore suffering, is an inescapable element of Christian life.  
During Lent, we bring our focus more closely to the Cross, on the suffering of Christ who endured so much for us.

**THE TRADITIONAL LENTEN DISCIPLINES:**



**1. Prayer:** Catholics are encouraged to *be more mindful* of the presence of God and desire for friendship by praying more during Lent, especially with Sacred Scripture. Lent is also an ideal time to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation. *Making time* for weekday Mass, spiritual reading, Eucharistic adoration, the Stations of the Cross, praying of the Rosary as a family, days of reflection, scripture study groups, and Lenten workshops is also encouraged.

**2. Fasting & Abstinence:** Catholics of age 14 and older abstain from meat (beast or fowl) on Ash Wednesday, Good Friday and all Fridays during Lent. In addition, on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday, Catholics from age 18 - 59 fast, limiting themselves to one full meal and two smaller meals each day. *Why not consider how food is wasted. What is the quality of your interaction during mealtimes at home? Give up some treat you enjoy. Abstain from alcoholic beverages and expensive cuts of meat. Eat of the food of the poor: a bowl of rice per day and some vegetables.*

**3. Almsgiving:** Moved by the sacrifice of Christ, we give generously to the poor and not just from our surplus. We can simplify our lifestyle, reduce our consumerism and give that discretionary income to those in need. Almsgiving can be combined with fasting, giving to the poor the money saved by eating, drinking or buying less as we rely more upon God's abundant grace. May the experience of physical hunger also remind us of our deep need and desire for Christ the Bread of Life.

**WORLD DAY OF PRAYER:** This year the theme for the World Day of Prayer is "I beg you....bear with one and other in love". It will be held at the Anglican Church, 287 Harrington St. in Arnprior on Friday March 1<sup>st</sup> at 2:00 p.m. Everyone Welcome.

**MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK February 28-29 – March 1-3**

**Wednesday 9:00 a.m.** Braeside Deceased Schnob & Bertrand Families  
by The Estate  
**Thursday 9:00 a.m.** Arnprior Ivan D'Souza *by Angela Riva*  
**First Friday 9:00 a.m.** Arnprior For Donors to the Memorial Fund & Those Named  
in Memoriam & The Star Flower Prayer Initiative  
**Saturday 4:30 p.m.** Arnprior Dennis McCormick *by Bob & Carol Clouthier*  
**Sunday 9:00 a.m.** Arnprior *Missa Pro Populo*  
**10:30 a.m.** Braeside Noel Ramey *by Loreen Ramey*  
Christel Rick *by Joe & Family*

**SACRAMENT OF PENANCE:** 20 minutes before weekend Masses and also upon request.

**PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:** that these 40 days of spiritual renewal may help us turn away from sin and be faithful to the Gospel; for the homeless, that they find shelter in these cold winter months, for parishioners who are sick; and those who have died.

**THE EVANGELIZATION: A prayer for those whom we wish to encounter Christ and walk the path of discipleship –** By Pierre-Alain Giffard, Director of Pastoral Work: Heavenly Father, I come before you in Jesus' name and covered with his precious blood lifting up ... (*name those you pray for*).  
I ask that you touch them with your Holy Spirit. May they come to know your grace, your love, and your saving power. Open their heart and mind to the truth of your Word. Remove any doubts or uncertainties that may hinder their journey towards you. Lord, I ask for your divine intervention so that they encounter you through the Holy Spirit in ways that are undeniable and life changing.  
Surround them with believers who can share their testimonies and walk alongside their journey. Grant them to find the truth and embrace your Son, Jesus Christ, as their Lord and Saviour. I place them into your merciful hands, trusting in your perfect timing and your unfailing love. Amen

**EASTER FLOWER DONATIONS:** for the Glory of God and in memory of loved ones can be made with the envelopes provided in your box of envelopes and the entrance of the church. The Masses of Easter will be offered for your intentions. Donations must be submitted by Tuesday, March 19<sup>th</sup> , in order to have loved ones listed in the Easter bulletin memorial page.